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Court in LPR sentenced a Ukrainian soldier to 20 years in colony

The court in the LPR (Luhansk People's Republic) gave 20 years in colony to a Ukrainian soldier for killing civilians

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The Supreme Court of the LPR sentenced a Ukrainian soldier to 20 years in colony, who in April 2022 burned a car with civilians using a flamethrower, the press service of the Main Military Prosecutor's Office reported.

"The court sentenced the offender to 20 years in a strict regime correctional colony," the release states.

In April 2022, in the city of Rubezhnoye, Severodonetsk region of the LPR, the defendant received information from the commanders about a car with civilians who were trying to evacuate from the locality because of the shelling.

Preventing them from leaving the city, the soldier of the Armed Forces of Ukraine fired a rocket-propelled flamethrower at the car. Two civilians were killed, the other three sustained injuries of varying severity, and the car was completely burned down.

The serviceman of the Armed Forces of Ukraine was found guilty of the attempted murder of two or more persons, committed in a commonly dangerous way, murder of two persons, committed in a commonly dangerous way, deliberate damage of other people's property out of hooliganism motives, ill-treatment of the civilian population and the use of prohibited means and methods in an armed conflict.